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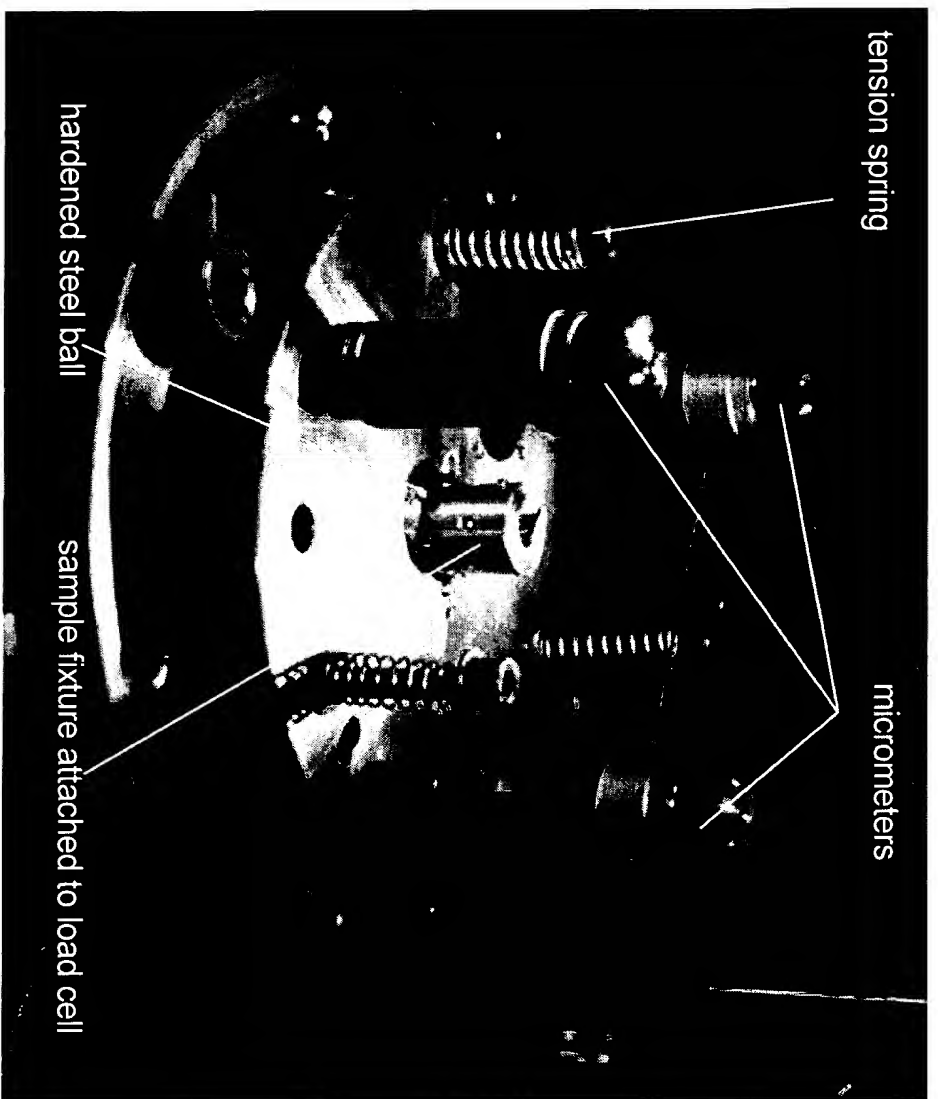
Microscope

Top fixture with parallelity adjustment
Moving plate of tensile testing machine

Displacement transducer

Load cell attached to lower sample fixture
Fixed plate of tensile testing machine

Photograph 1: Set up for cavitation strength measurement

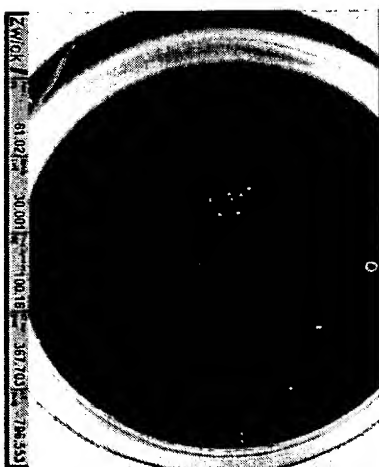


Photograph 2: Top plate with parallelity adjustment.

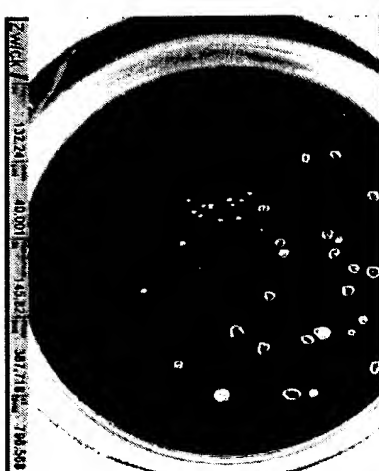
PRIMARY COATING A



no cavities at $F=1.37$ N



2 cavities at $F=61.02$ N

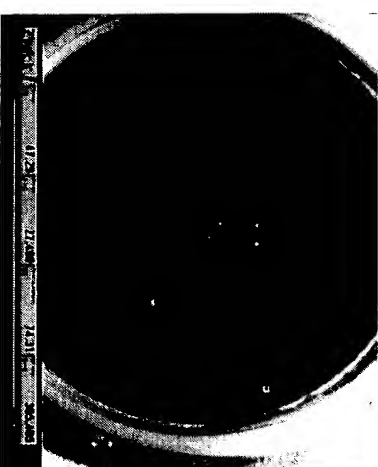


25 cavities at $F=132.24$ N

PRIMARY COATING B



no cavities at $F=1.21$ N

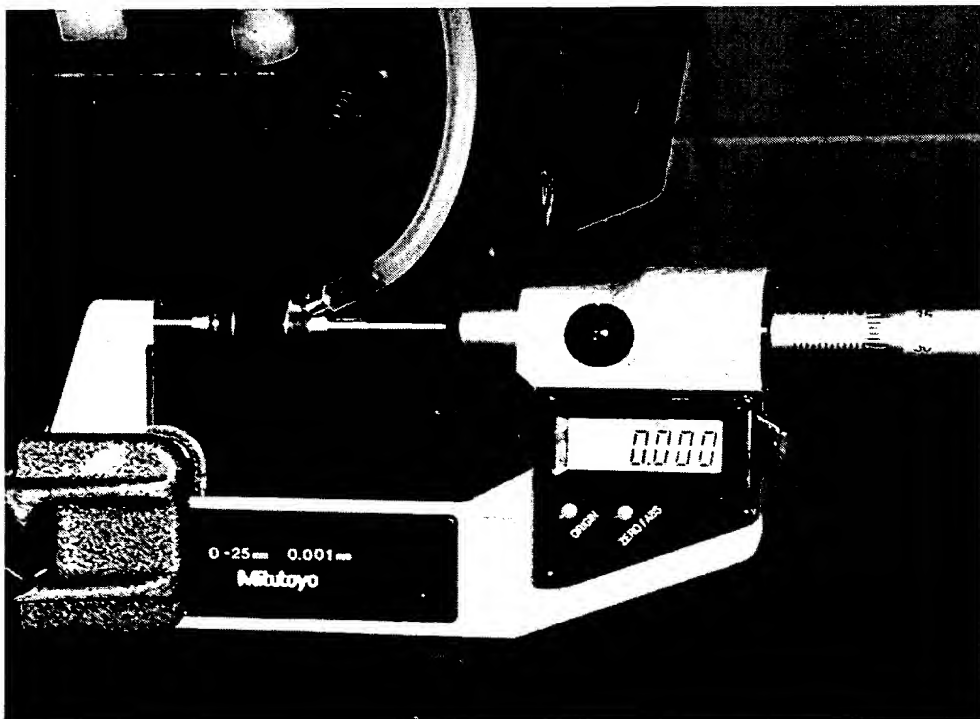


2 cavities at $F=47.29$ N



25 cavities at $F=119.35$ N

Photograph 3: samples of two primary coatings A and B with cavities; appearance of cavities as a function of the applied force



Photograph 4: Micrometer set-up in sample preparation for cavitation strength measurement

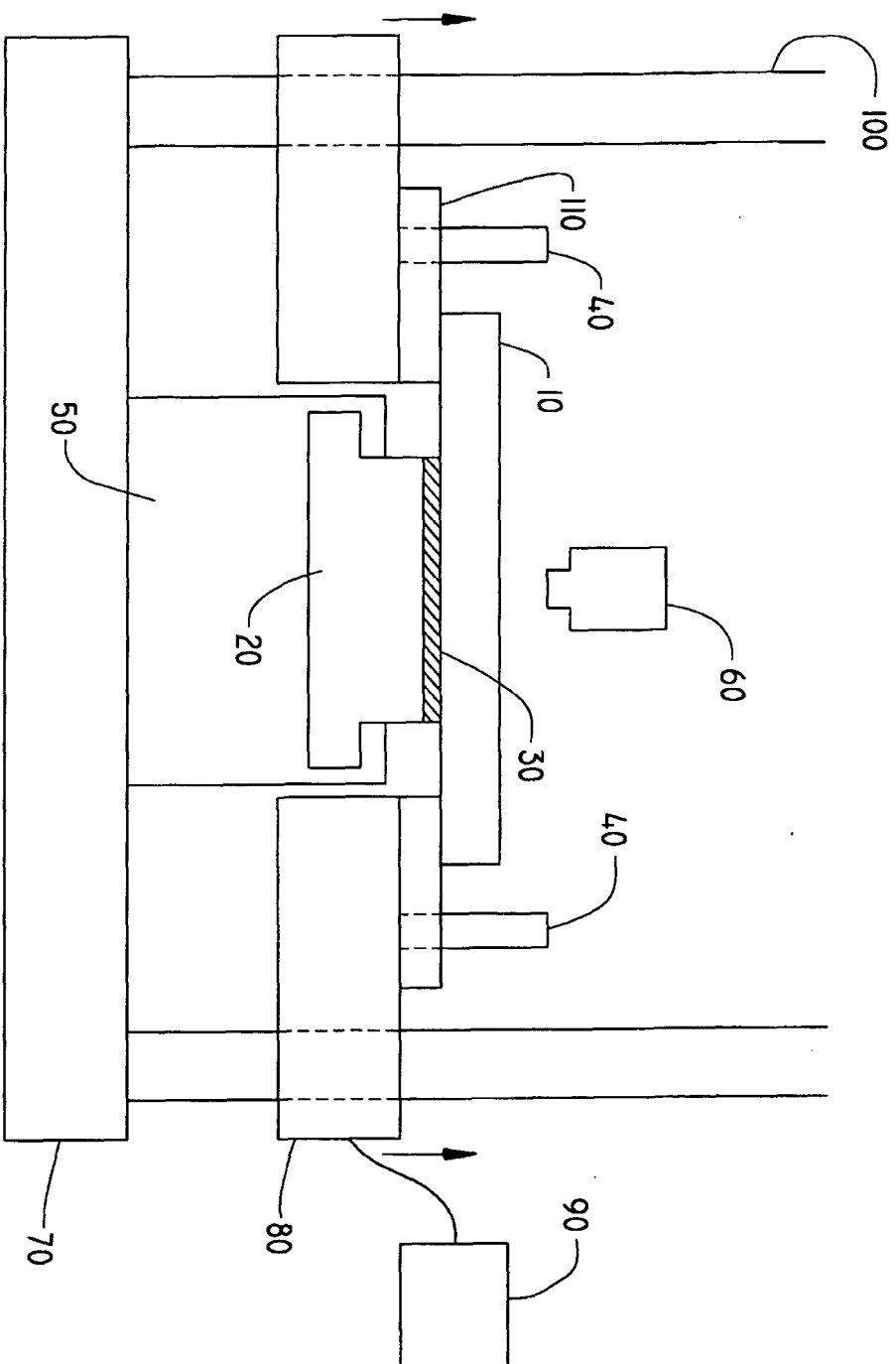
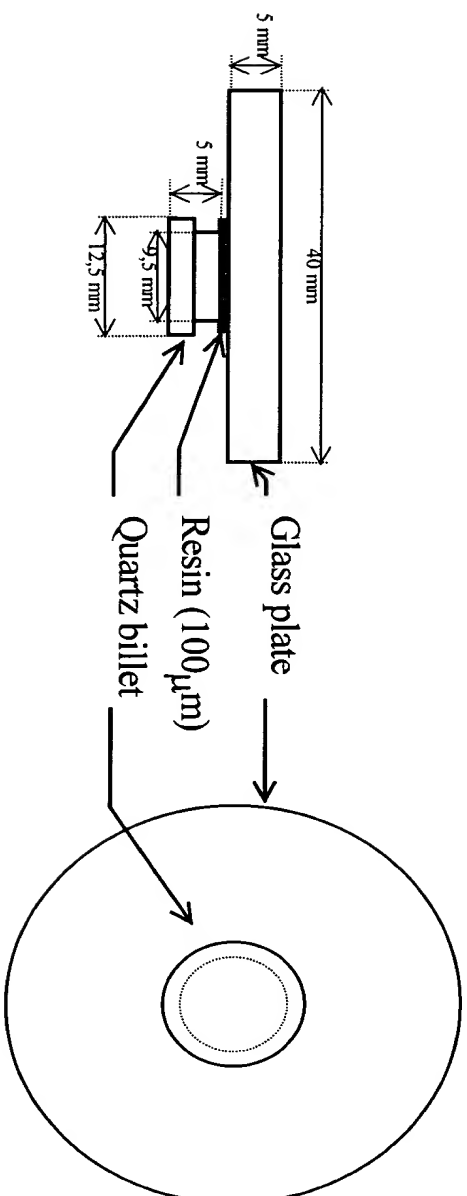


Figure 1: apparatus used for determining the cavitation strength of a sample.



5 Figure 2: Sample geometry.

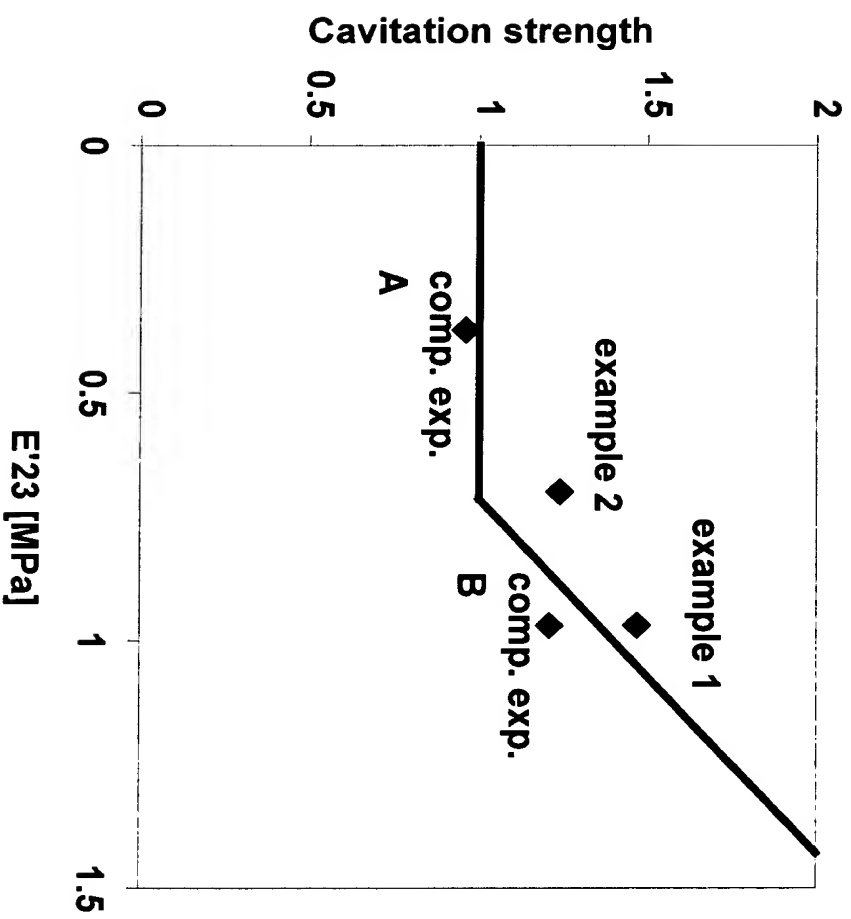


Figure 3: Cavitation strength at the tenth cavitation σ_{cav}^{10} as a function of E'_{23}

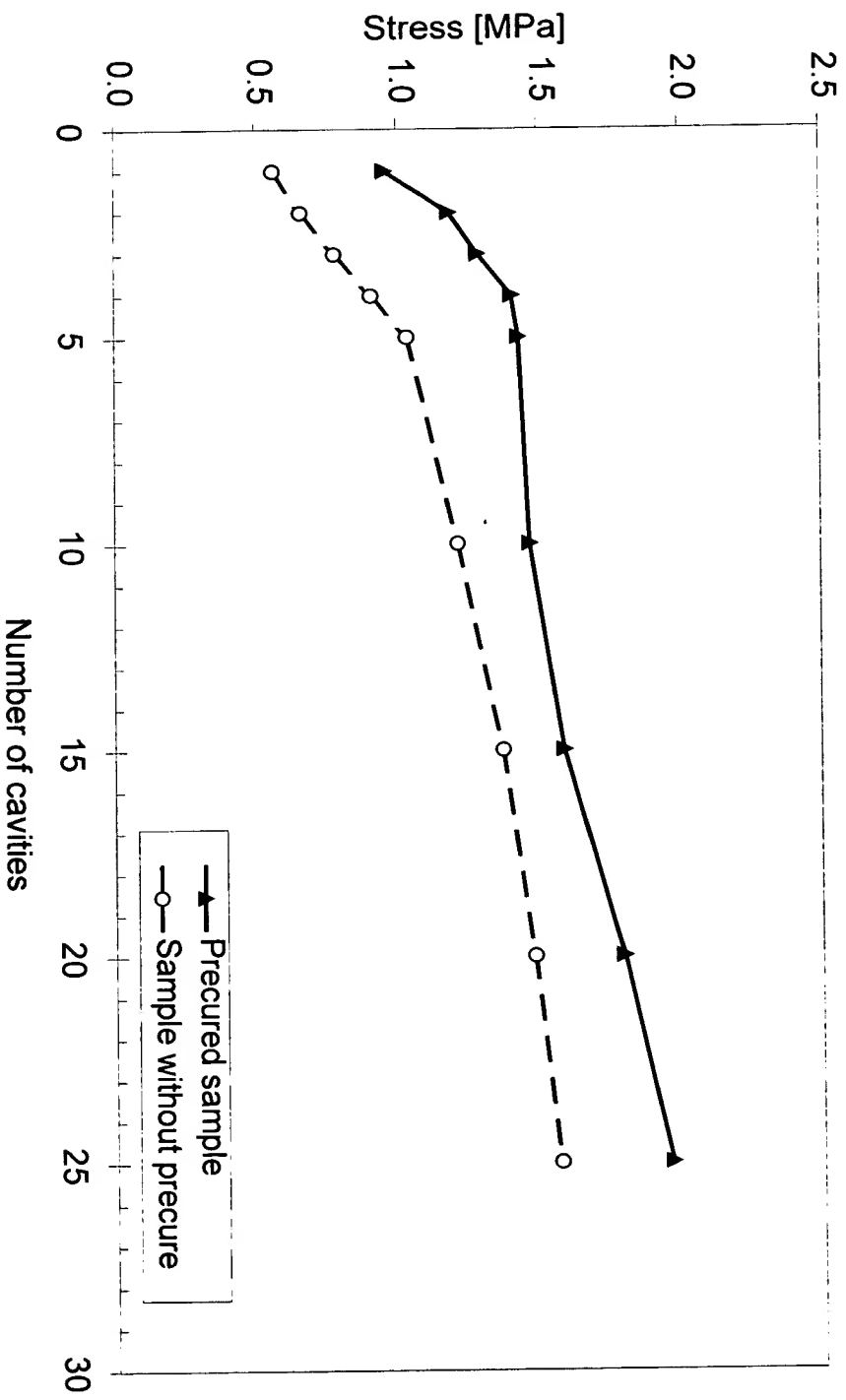


Figure 4: Cavitation strengths of a primary coating sample with and without precure

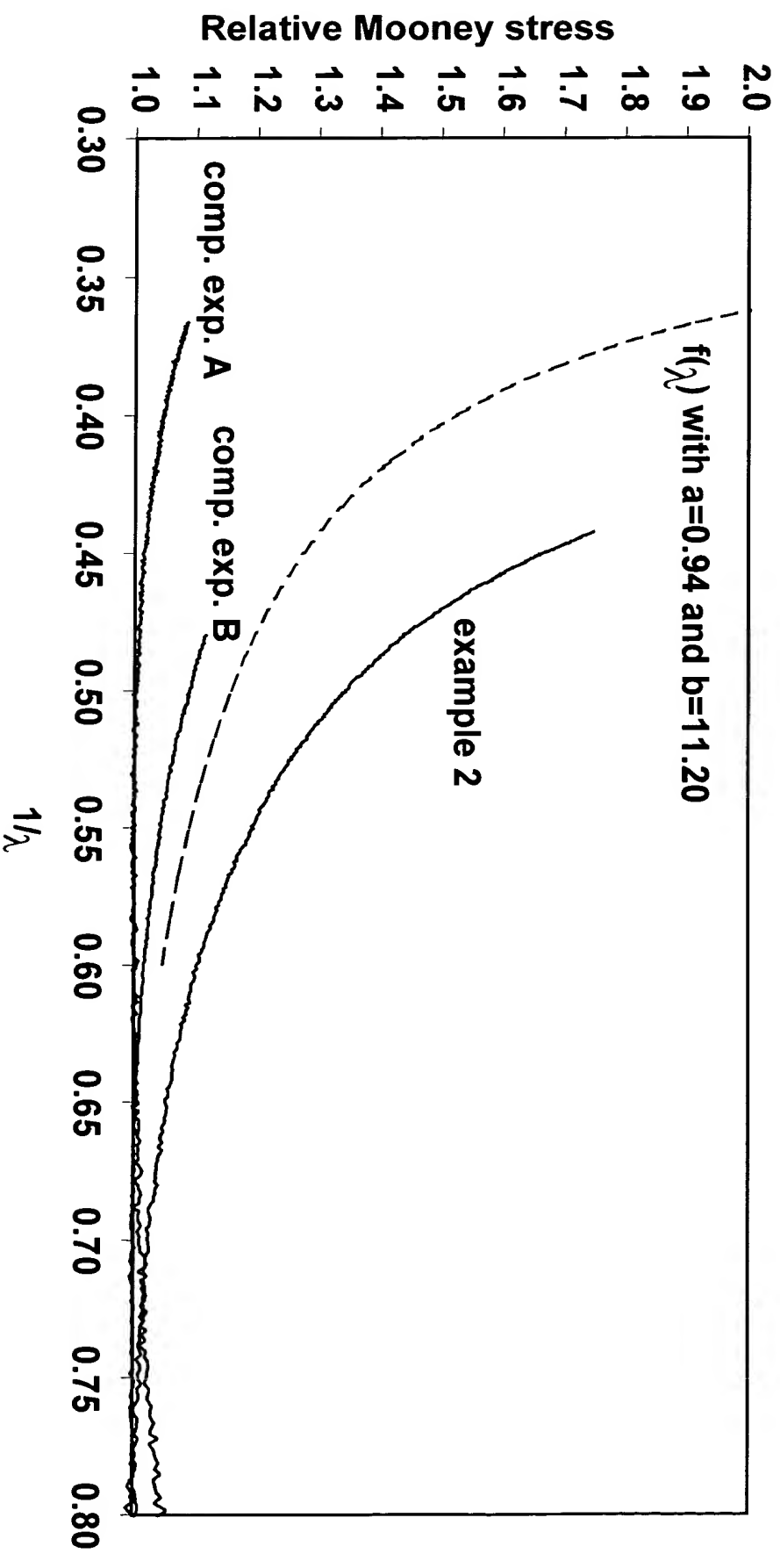


Figure 5: Relative Mooney plots of primary coatings